Weekly Column for July 27, 2006

The Saratoga racing season is officially underway, an annual tradition that doubles as the summer season officially being in full swing, but also is a wake up call that autumn is well on its way. You can feel it in the air.

Here in Troy we have three very exciting concerts coming up this weekend that I would like to talk about. The big one will be Saturday night when we welcome The Brits to the Powers Park Concert Series in Lansingburgh.

The festivities are set to begin at 6 p.m. Saturday evening. A word to the wise would be to arrive early, as we are expecting a large crowd Saturday night. If you are not aware of the Powers Park Concert Series, there is a show each Saturday night at 6 p.m. featuring great music, wonderful food, and a lively crowd.

Outside of the music Saturday, there will be other festivities. WTRY and Meissner Travel will be teaming up to give away a trip for two to the Rock 'N Roll Hall of Fame in Cleveland, Ohio. It should be a great time for all. Get there early, sit back and enjoy the wonderful atmosphere in Lansingburgh on Saturday night.

The following night we will hold a special edition of the Powers Park Series with The Outta Hand Band. This is a show being made up from last week, which had to rained out because of the deluge of rain we had. The Outta Hand Band is classic rock at its finest, it should be another great time.

Of course, you have another choice for music on Sunday, as the Collar City Live Concert Series continues with Patti-O & The Hip Hooligans. I can only imagine what that show has in store for the crowd. Seriously, according to the organizers it will be, "Troy's own Patti Melita and her band provide a trip down memory lane with renditions of tunes from the 1920's through the 1950's."

Many, many options for all. Please come out to one of these events, get to know some of your neighbors, and have a nice, relaxing night.

See you next week!

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